



**Virginia Defense Force  
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**Primary Leadership Development Course (PLDC) Quiz**

**THE NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER SUPPORT CHANNEL**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Multiple Choice: Write the letter of the BEST answer on the line to the left of each question.**

1. The NCO Support Channel assists the chain of command in accomplishing the following, except:
  - a. Transmitting, instilling and ensuring the efficacy of the professional Army ethic.
  - b. Training enlisted soldiers in their MOS as well as in the basic skills and attributes of a soldier.
  - c. Teaching soldiers the history of the Army, to include military customs, courtesies and traditions.
  - d. Caring for individual soldiers only while on duty.
  
2. In units at the battalion level and higher, the NCO support channel is the communication and supervision that begins with the \_\_\_\_\_, and extend through first sergeant and platoon sergeant and ends at the section chiefs, squad leaders, or \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Command Sergeant Major, Team Leaders
  - b. First Sergeant, Squad Leaders
  - c. Platoon Sergeant, 1SG
  - d. None of the above

3. The CSM is responsible for the following, except:
- a. Carries out policies and standards on performance, training, appearance, and conduct of enlisted personnel.
  - b. Gives advice and initiates recommendations to the commander and staff in matters pertaining to enlisted personnel.
  - c. In a unit, installation, or higher headquarters, CSM directs the activities of that NCO support channel.
  - d. Responsible for training and caring for soldiers.
4. The Platoon Sergeant slot is a \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. Rank  
b. Position  
c. Grade  
d. A or b
5. Which of the following is not correct about the Staff Sergeants, Sergeants and Corporals.  
a. Are normally squad, section and team leaders.  
b. Are a critical link, in the NCO channel.  
c. Live and work with their soldiers every day.  
d. Are not responsible for the health, welfare and safety of the troops.  
e. Ensure that their soldiers meet standards in personal appearance.

**True or False: Mark "T" for true and "F" for false on line provided to the left of each statement.**

6. \_\_\_\_\_ The NCO Support Channel is subordinate to and supportive of the chain of command.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ As far back as the Revolutionary War period, first sergeants have enforced discipline, fostered loyalty and commitment in their soldiers, maintained duty rosters, and made morning reports to their company commanders.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ It is not necessary for successful officers have a good leader and NCO relationship with their first sergeants and command sergeants major. This leaves the commander free to plan, make decisions and program future training and operations.